HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Rs. 2.88 crores for construction of Phase-I of the Complex.

(c) Government have sanctioned Rs. 1.24 crores for the Complex.

Jet Trainer of IAF

948. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will he PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any decision on the jet trainer for the Indian Air Force; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

French offer to sell Nuclear Reactors to India

949. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the PRIME MINISER be pleased to state:

(a) whether France has renewed its offer to sell two 100 MW nuclear reactors to India; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) and (b) France has indicated its willingness to cooperate in the setting up of 2 x 1000 MW Pressurised Water Nuclear Power Reactor (PWRs) in India. The terms for cooperation are under discussion between the two countries.

Stopping the expansion of Navodaya Vidyalayas

950. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to stop the expansion programme of Navodaya Vidyalayas as envisaged earlier;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the minimum target of expansion/establishment of Navodaya Vidyalayas, as planned earlier would be achieved;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) if the answer to part (c) above be in the negative, in what manner Government would benefit the rural masses as to prepare them to compete with public schools?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) to (e) Government have decided to review the Navodaya Vidyalayas Scheme and not to open any more schools pending this action.

Warning against the use of Coloured Dyes and Gulal during Holi Celebrations

951. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Pollution Control Board had warned the people against use of coloured dyes and 'gulal' during Holi celebrations;

(b) whether the warning was based on toxic effect of such dyes on micro-organisms;